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Tarzana Man Charged with Shotgun Killing of Girlfriend

A 22-year-old man has been charged with killing his girlfriend with a shotgun, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Dominick Teret (dob 5/13/93) of Tarzana faces one count of murder and allegations that he personally used a shotgun to commit the murder.

Teret pleaded not guilty to the charge yesterday and is scheduled to return for a preliminary hearing on Jan. 6 in Department 120 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Van Nuys Branch.

The defendant allegedly shot his girlfriend, Jensenia Baca, 21, at his apartment in the 6200 block of Reseda Boulevard in Tarzana on Dec. 20, prosecutors said.

If convicted as charged, Teret faces a possible maximum sentence of life in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Matthew Vodnoy is prosecuting case LAo82455.

The Los Angeles Police Department, West Valley Division, is the investigative agency.

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